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## THE WEATHER BUREAU FRAUD.

The Weather Bureau of the Department of Agriculture is a ridiculous fraud.

Its record in the prediction line is one long list of failures.

It has never given warning of disastrous storms, cyclones or hurricanes.

The record shows that all of these happenings in the United States have come without warning from the Bureau.

The only way the Weather Bureau has ever won out has been by making a prediction and sticking to it every day until it came true.

Take the recent hot spells. Last week for example.

The Weather Bureau predicted: "Cooler Thursday."

It was hotter Thursday.

"Cooler with thunder storms Saturday."

It was hotter Saturday.

"Hot wave will be broken with cooler weather Monday."

Monday was hotter and more oppressive.

But the Weather Bureau kept it up until a cool wave did blow in.

The Chinese have a blind faith in some things. But they lost faith in Weather Bureau 3,617 years ago.

GEORGE K. SPOOR.

In the course of an interesting story on the great Movie business, Liella O. Parsons writes:

In the East, where William T. Rock, with Albert Smith and J. Stuart Blackton, was launching various film exchanges, a formidable rival in the person of George K. Spoor had already taken possession of the West. George K. Spoor's romance is one of the most picturesque stories ever written, and I am fortunate enough to be able to relate first hand to the thousands of fans who have seen Essanay pictures the events in Mr. Spoor's colorful career which took him from a humble position in the passenger department of the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad to the presidency of one of the wealthiest film concerns in the world.

Our American boy who feels the day of opportunity is past has but to read the resources, the ingenuity and the ever-present imagination by which George K. Spoor engineered his course and removed himself from the laboring class to the successful and independent head of a big manufacturing company.

I am fortunate, indeed, to be able to give this story as Mr. Spoor related it to me, and as his career typifies in many ways the course taken by some of our early film magnates I want to relate it to you as not only characteristic of George K. Spoor's perseverance but as typical of what the pioneer had to contend with and as an example of true Americanism.

It is the spirit of the boy who, treading American soil, sees about him opportunity growing on many bushes; that chance, which lucky young America can grasp if he will, that opportunity to do what hundreds of other penniless youths have done, to strike while the iron is hot and never stop striking while even the shadow of a chance appears on the horizon of possible human endeavor, he is moving picture or any other industry.



CHARLES J. VOPICKA,  
U. S. Minister to the Balkan States, Who is Returning to Chicago.

## E. J. BRUNDAGE PLATFORM.

Campaign managers for Edward J. Brundage, candidate for the Republican nomination for attorney-general, gave out his platform. These items are emphasized:

"1. I will give the state of Illinois a thoroughgoing and efficient administration of the office of attorney-general."

"2. That interpretation of all law, when I become attorney-general, will be to one line—namely, nothing not intended to be covered by the law will be read into it, nor will anything comprehended by its text be eliminated."

"3. It will be my constant aim, after reference to supreme court decisions and the acts of the legislature, to divine the meaning of all laws and enforce them."

"4. I will engage as my assistants the ablest lawyers available."

"5. Litigation will be brought to a conclusion as rapidly as possible, instead of being permitted to drag indefinitely for the sole purpose of paying fees from state funds."

## THE FREE EMPLOYMENT BUREAU

Every day the Illinois free employment bureau connects workers with jobs, and nearly every day of late it has published a tale of places waiting for men and women whose capital lies in brain and muscle, rather than in bank accounts. The latest call of this sort was for farm help, at wages running from \$35 to \$45 per month. How strange, by the way, that barons must find it that American farmers, though paying such wages, are still able to sell their products in London and Liverpool in competition with crops grown by the "pauper labor" of less developed lands!

The record of the employment bureau shows that the state is prosperous. Also, it gives some notion of the enormous benefit which Gov. Dunne conferred on workers when he secured the creation of this bureau, whose free and unselfish service is saving thousands of men and women from the extortions formerly practiced upon them. The time has passed in Illinois when a man wanting work has to pay for a job.—Chicago Journal.

## FOR A CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

Illinois needs a new constitution. The Citizens' Association of Chicago, in its forty-first annual report, has the following to say on the subject, which voices the sentiments of many good citizens:

"Greatly to our regret the General Assembly failed to submit to the people of the state the question of holding a constitutional convention. The convention joint resolution introduced by Senator Edward C. Curtis was adopted by the Senate on March 11th by an almost unanimous vote. But when the matter came to a vote in the House on March 31st, the vote on the joint resolution was 92 in favor and 32 opposed, with 23 members absent or not voting. Thus the measure failed by the narrow margin of ten votes to receive the 102 votes constituting the two-thirds required by law."

"We are informed by the officers of the Constitutional Convention League, which had the convention campaign in hand, that the league had received assurances from 105 members of the House that they favored the submission of the convention question to the people; and that most of these were in the form of written pledges to vote for the necessary joint resolution. According to the league, 17 representatives who had given such assurances either opposed the resolution or failed to vote on it. Fourteen of these, nine of whom represent Cook county districts, had given unqualified written pledges."

"Our belief in the necessity of holding a constitutional convention has not been shaken by this temporary defeat. Sooner or later—and certainly before very long—the small minority of the legislature which has had the temerity to refuse to allow the people of Illinois to decide whether they desired a constitutional convention will have to give way."

"We shall continue to do our utmost to bring about the calling of a constitutional convention because we are convinced that the convention plan affords the most practicable means of securing a shorter ballot; better and more economical local government through consolidation of the city, county, Sanitary District and other taxing bodies of Cook county;

ty; and broader charter powers for Chicago that are necessary to the city's welfare."

## IGNORING THE GERMANS.

The gang of bosses who are ruining the Democratic party in Chicago have decided that they can get along without the German vote. They have put up a county ticket without a German name on it and openly boast that they "don't need the Germans." This sort of Know Nothingism may be popular with the gang, but it is not popular with the people. Fair play is a jewel and in this cosmopolitan community every nationality deserves to be recognized on a big county ticket. The Germans are not the only people proscribed. There is not one man named on the gang county ticket who had a native American grandfather. Native Americans are tabooed. Irish Democrats all over Chicago are indignant at this action of a gang of New York Rich Contractors and Graft Hunters for using methods which bring men of other nationalities into the belief that the Irish want all the offices. This is not true. The Irish-American is the most generous of men and he believes in the elevation of worthy fellow citizens regardless of the place of their birth. This noble sentiment does not appear to have taken root in the small minority of Irishmen who compose the Office Holders' Union and the Contract Extractors' Political Association. These fellows, intoxicated with success, drunk with power, and proud of newly acquired wealth, believe in putting no man into office who will not agree beforehand to do their bidding.

The Germans of Chicago are to be congratulated upon the fact that the Gang Machine has willfully ignored them.

## OBITUARY

## CAPTAIN CHARLES FFRENCH.

In the death of Captain Charles French, who was buried in Calvary on Tuesday, Chicago loses an honored, useful and esteemed citizen, the city Board of Education one of its best members, and his family an ideal husband and father.

The Chicago Eagle joins with the community in mourning his taking off.

## EAGLETS.

The New Roma restaurant at 117 North Clark street, of which I. Pellegrini is the popular manager, grows in favor with the public every day.

Wheeler & Company, the well known credit clothing at 135 South Clark street, make lasting friends out of everybody they do business with.

John G. Oglesby, after giving the country districts a thorough scouring in his hunt for Republican votes for his candidacy for the nomination for Lieutenant Governor, has switched his activities to Chicago. He began with a speech at the Hamilton Club.

Edward T. Boissy, the popular deputy sheriff, is a strong candidate for the Democratic nomination for the State Board of Equalization in the Sixth Congressional District.

A. Cherney, the well known teaming contractor, is building up a great business through his careful attention to his customers.

Re-elect Judge John R. Caverly to the Municipal bench.

Judge Harry P. Dolan of the Municipal Court deserves re-election.

Blame for the delay in the payment of salaries to families of city employees who are members of the Illinois troops on duty at the border was placed on the adjutant general's office by City Comptroller Eugene R. Pike and City Paymaster John J. Healy.

S. P. Melander, the well known photographer at 47 West Ohio street, has been 50 years in business and 33 years in the same place. A pretty good record.

Jones & Jacoby of 426 Plymouth court have a splendid name in the business and building world. Their reputation as plumbers is like the work they turn out—first class.

## WHO IS WHO NOW

## TOMBIGBEE CANDLER

Zeke Candler, representative from Mississippi, worships the Tombigbee river so fervently that in Washington he is known as Tombigbee Candler and the stream is called the Candler Tombigbee.

Each year the treasury opens and pours a mellow stream of gold into the Tombigbee for improvement purposes, and each year, in praise of this gracious act on the part of Uncle Sam, Tombigbee Zeke arises in his place on the floor of the house and sings a song of praise.

Tombigbee Candler made no speech this year. Consequently when the item was reached in the rivers and harbors bill Representative Madden rolled a Chicago stone crusher into the house and endeavored to smash the Tombigbee's \$35,000.

"This is an unimportant river," he said with a grin.

"But it is a very beautiful one!" suggested Nick Longworth.

"Oh, yes," replied Mr. Madden. "I have heard Mr. Candler talk about its beauty and how the birds sing along the shore; and how the sun shines and how the birds can look out of the trees and see the blue sky above and the shimmering stream below—in fact, they can see everything except traffic on the river."

At this point Zeke Candler arose in his might and delivered the ultimatum that if the Tombigbee was stricken from the bill the measure could not pass. "Is that so?" said Jim Mann. "Well, the senate passed a bill the other day where this river is slurringly referred to as the Tombigbee river or the Tombigbee, two names."

"Even the senate of the United States," replied Zeke with great dignity, "if it were an august body of idiots, would not undertake to change the name of the Tombigbee, because if they did it would change the history of the United States of America; history made by the Tombigbee is identical with the records made by this great republic."

"It is this river that adds glory to this republic. If you were to take it out of the bill there would be no glory left."



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## LANE AND THE SIOUX



of your home race, and of the pride you feel that you come from the first of all Americans."

The secretary then took his stand by a plow and called the Indians to stand by him while he declared the necessity of labor. Then a purse was given them as the secretary declared:

"The wise man can save his money so that when the sun does not smile and the grass does not grow he will not starve."

The Indians were all given a badge of American citizenship and a United States flag. To each of the women were given a work bag and a purse.

## CHAMPION OF KANSAS

Representative Joseph Taggart of Kansas is quick to resent any slant at the Sunflower state and bristles up whenever one seeks to revive bewitched Kansas jokes which were popular (outside of Kansas) a quarter of a century ago. Knowing Taggart's regard for the dignity of his home state, several of his colleagues on the house judiciary committee planned a bit of fun.

There was a meeting before the committee, which Taggart was unable to attend, on the woman suffrage resolution. A New York lawyer appeared in behalf of the "antisl" and presented an argument against national enfranchisement of the gentler sex. He spoke generally and did not refer to any state now boasting equal rights. Taggart's colleagues, however, told him the lawyer had lambasted Kansas. At the next meeting of the committee the lawyer reappeared. Taggart was on hand and grilled the New Yorker unmercifully. The lawyer defended himself as best he could under the cross-examination.

When the meeting adjourned the lawyer asked Taggart why he had been so severe. The congressman retorted that he would not permit any man to belittle Kansas. The lawyer insisted he said nothing that could be considered derogatory to the western commonwealth and, in fact, had a high opinion of the people of the state.

Taggart at this moment happened to look around and caught his colleagues smiling broadly. Explanations followed. Taggart apologized to the New Yorker, but is awaiting an opportunity to get even with the practical jokers.



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## ESTHER CLEVELAND AIDS THE BLIND



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Miss Cleveland was born in Washington during her father's term as president and there have been many false reports of her engagement since she was presented to society.

Before going abroad to aid in caring for the blind she devoted several months to studying the system in use in the Pennsylvania Institute for the Instruction of the Blind, so when she was ready to offer her services she was qualified to render service. Miss Cleveland had previously been graduated at a training school of nurses and would have been efficient in that kind of aid, but so many men were being blinded in the European war that assistance for those thus afflicted appeared more desirable, and she devoted her time to learning how to instruct those sufferers before she proffered her services.



ANDREW J. RYAN,  
Leading Member of the Chicago Bar.

## TOM SULLIVAN'S PLATFORM

Democratic Candidate for Sanitary District Head Gives Pledges.

Thomas M. Sullivan, candidate for the Democratic nomination for president of the drainage board, issued his platform. Among the pledges are:

Continuation of the present method of sewage disposal as long as conditions will permit, to be supplemented by other methods as conditions require.

Immediate diversion of all sewage from Lake Michigan, including that of Evanston and South Chicago.

Complete protection of drinking water supply by latest scientific methods.

Reduction of tax rate each year consistent with the work to be performed by the district.

Permanent improvements to be paid for by the sale of bonds.

Enlargement and maintenance of the district's municipal hydro electric plant to its highest efficiency.

Extension of street lighting to the different municipalities within the district at lowest possible cost to them.

Development by district of additional water power below present powerhouse in order to furnish Chicago with additional street lights.

The earliest possible solution of the "Bubbly creek" nuisance.

The parking of autos on both sides of Sheridan Drive in the vicinity of Balmoral avenue causes much criticism of the Lincoln Park board for permitting it.

Leo V. Roeder would make a splendid municipal judge. He is a good lawyer and an able man.

Joseph J. Sullivan is a candidate for the Democratic nomination for State Board of Equalization in the Tenth District. Mr. Sullivan is qualified in every way for the position, has an army of friends throughout the district and should prove an easy winner at the primaries.

John G. Jacobson, 1635 North Claremont avenue, is making an active campaign for renomination for member of the house of representatives from the Twenty-fifth District. The district in the Forty-ninth General Assembly was divided between Mr. Jacobson, a Democrat; Charles L. Fieldstack, Republican; Joseph M. Mason, Socialist.

John J. Sweeney, the popular manager of the big Randolph Grocery & Market Company, is public spirited and progressive and is highly respected in the business world.

The Balfour Johnstone Civil Service and Preparatory School enjoys a well deserved reputation for thoroughness and ability.

H. P. Reger & Co., of 54 W. Randolph street, who make a specialty of good heating and plumbing work, stand well with their customers.

John T. O'Malley of 1222 North Wells street, the popular proprietor of the big Wells Boarding Stables, is one of the best liked Democrats in Chicago. He is one of the coming men of the party and should be ever run for office would be a certain winner.

Judge John M. O'Connor pleases his thousands of friends by his fine record in the Superior Court.

Judge Thomas F. Scully has shown since his election to the County bench that he is the right man in the right place. He has met every question raised concerning the election machinery with ability and firmness. The people are proud of him.

William M. Morrison, the well known photographer, whose studio is located in the Schiller building, is one of the substantial and highly respected residents of the North Side. He is much talked of for Alderman of the Twenty-first ward.

Mr. O. Osterrieder, long and favorably connected with the great Peter Schoenhofen Brewing Company, has

opened a big advertising agency at Room 609 Harvester Building, 606 E. Michigan avenue. Mr. Osterrieder is a square man who deserves the support of the liberal element who want good advertising.

## STEADMAN HEADS IT

The socialist party State ticket was filed with the secretary of state. It is as follows:

For Governor—Seymour Steadman, Chicago.

For Lieutenant Governor—Karl F. Sandberg, Chicago.

For Secretary of State, John M. Feigh, Chicago.

For Auditor, Frank O. Anderson, Chicago.

Chicago Attorney General, Clarence C. Brooks, Dixon.

For Treasurer, Bert W. Newton, Rock Island.

For Congressman-at-large, J. Louis Engdahl and Walter Huggins, Chicago.

Charles McHugh, the genial proprietor of the Lexington Hotel, is doing good work in improving conditions in the First ward.

On the recent reliability run of motor trucks from Los Angeles to San Diego, the Little Giant truck 15 worm drive truck made a perfect score, carrying a capacity load.

This is one of the most successful demonstrations of commercial vehicle efficiency in the history of the industry.

At the close of the grueling run of 142 miles rigid tests were made at the grounds of the Panama-California Exposition, and all parts found in perfect condition.

The two-day grind proved that the modern motor truck is equal to the severest test, and it further demonstrated the phenomenal progress that has been made in the design and construction of the freight-carrying machine.

Carrying a capacity load, the Model 15 Little Giant truck finished the trip in good condition, and was not tardy at any of the three controls.

ESTABLISHED 1876.

## State Bank of Chicago

Chamber of Commerce Building, La Salle and Washington Streets.

Condensed Report July 1, 1916.

## RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	\$24,111,667.90
Overdrafts	1,584.25
Bonds	1,296,714.67
Cash and due from banks	10,761,566.60
	\$36,750,533.42

## LIABILITIES.

Capital stock	\$1,000,000.00
Surplus (earned)	3,000,000.00
Undivided profits	\$61,841.00
Reserves for interest and taxes	50,000.00
Dividends unpaid	60,000.00
Deposits	\$1,155,550.56
	\$36,265,491.56

## Officers.

L. A. Goddard, President.  
Henry A. Haugen, Vice-President.  
Frank C. Fiedler, Cashier.  
C. Edward Carlson, Asst. Cashier.  
Walter S. Asst. Cashier.  
Edw. A. Schroeder, Asst. Cashier.  
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William C. Miller, Asst. Secretary.

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TWO PER CENT.  
Interest allowed on Demand Certificates of Deposit for \$100 and larger amounts.

THREE PER CENT.  
on Certificates of Deposit running four months or longer, and on

THREE PER CENT.  
These can be opened at any time with interest or more. Interest is compounded January 1st and July 1st.

CHECKING ACCOUNTS.  
of individuals, firms and corporations are solicited. Loans made on approved names or collaterals.

WILLS AND TRUSTS.  
This bank's Trust Department is equipped to handle with skill and experience its clients' wills, estates, agencies, trusteeships, etc., and is authorized by law to act in such matters.

INVESTMENTS.  
Clients wishing to avail themselves of the bank's experience in selecting safe investments are invited to call on or write our Bond Department or Real Estate Loan Department for choice bonds and mortgages yielding 5 and 6 1/2 per cent interest. These can be had in amounts of \$500 and upwards.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.  
YOUR BUSINESS INVITED.  
Our Record: Thirty-seven Years of Conservative Banking.